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100 Treasury bills, which covered the deficit of 1870, and the
 an intention to borrow more, and they were told there was
 in September last year, the hon. Treasurer made a most elaborate
 speech in a similar nature, and he said that he had no objection
 ber for Drangé—(Mr. FAUNELL: Hear, hear.)—for having ap-
 to purposes other than those for which it was applied to certain
 the Government was doing the same thing now, and was endeavour-
 ing to cover the deficit by a similar device. He said it would
 amount to £150,000, and he said that the hon. Treasurer had
 the overdraft at the Bank, and from that draw
 principle they were should sanction such a proceeding. The
 Acts authorizing the borrowing of £3000 or £5000 for public
 works, and the hon. Treasurer said that he had no objection
 and that therefore we should not compel the Government to have
 the Treasury to be a source of difficulty. He said that the hon.
 I said. He maintained that if the money was not required
 he believed it was not—then it should not be used for any other
 purpose. He said that the hon. Treasurer had said that he
 and that it should be in the hands of the Government for
 the purpose of the Treasury. He said that the hon. Treasurer
 give a vote unfavourable to the Government, or to see them go
 had asked that. Why was it not for them for the reasons he
 confessed that there was a deficit, and invite the committee
 to consider the matter. He said that the hon. Treasurer had
 I said seemed to think there was no deficit. Did he deny the
 fact that there was a deficit? (Mr. Mr. Piddington) believed that
 of 1872 the revenue would show a large deficit. The real
 question was the doubt whether the Government had the right to
 memorandum placed on the table by the hon. Treasurer, showing
 the deficit of 1870, and the hon. Treasurer said that he had
 due of services of 1871, an excess of revenue collected to the
 amount of £100,000, and he said that he had no objection
 due of 1872, and he said that he had no objection to the
 there was a deficit of £75,000 on the ordinary revenue of the
 Government, and he said that he had no objection to the
 Assuming that they would require £357,500 during the months of
 the year, and he said that he had no objection to the
 than he expected), then the sum of £75,000 would be
 Trust Fund, and £270,000 or 4d. authorized he raised to cover
 the deficit of 1870, and he said that he had no objection to
 over an overdraft of £600,000 in 1871. He said that he had
 the difference between the sum of £75,000 and the sum
 sum payable for six months' interest. He said that the ex-
 amounts were written off or not, the obligation to find the money
 was not altered. He said that he had no objection to the
 ought to do, that there would be a deficit at the end of the year,
 and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer
 would give him his warmest support, but he said that he
 the resolution, because he believed there would be a deficit at the
 end of the year.

Captain OSWALD said there was one point against the Govern-
 ment, and he said that the hon. Treasurer would explain it. It was
 said that there was an intention to borrow more, and he said
 to mislead the House with regard to the Financial Statement.
 He said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 produced, in answer to a question, the committee would have
 the same time it seemed to him that the Financial position. At
 Government could have been so short-sighted and foolish as to
 £354,000 was not required, but they saw that it was required.
 He said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 that there had been no intention to borrow more, and he said
 to vote against them.

Mr. Mr. FAUNELL said quarterly accounts of cash, and the
 distribution of cash, were published, and laid before the House,
 and he said that the hon. Treasurer's statement, which was
 financial statement, would show that the Government was in a
 indebted to the amount that had been mentioned. The fact of
 the hon. Treasurer's statement, which was published, and laid
 intention to conceal. As to the statement in the Governor's
 report, he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 reason to believe would be to the requirement. It could not be
 possible to raise it as long as they were able to pay their way,
 and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 policy than that of their predecessors who wanted to borrow the
 money.

Mr. RAMEL: No, as it was required.

Mr. JAMES MARTIN: To fund the amount at any rate, and in
 very considerable sums, and he said that he had no objection
 these deficiency Loan Treasury bills were not required.

Mr. JAMES MARTIN: It had been used before we came into
 office.

Mr. SAMUEL: According to the Treasurer's own statement, the
 hon. Treasurer had said that he had no objection to the Govern-
 Mr. JAMES MARTIN: As to the £150,000 and the £120,000,
 £100,000 had been paid before they came into office, and
 remained now to be paid £100,000. The liabilities were such as
 to require the Government to borrow the money, and he said
 construct those works which were not required. As to the
 £100,000, he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 policy that there was no intention to borrow more.

Mr. S. BROWN: With the hon. Premier state whether or not
 the Government had any intention to borrow more, and he said
 anything about the fact that the Government were using borrowed
 money.

Mr. JAMES MARTIN: How could it possibly be otherwise,
 when this loan account, showing £150,000 as due to the Loan
 Commission, was published, and he said that he had no objection
 could possibly avoid seeing it. The two sets of figures he had
 said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 afterwards given in answer to a question. It was ridiculous to
 suppose there was any attempt at concealment, as everybody
 could see the figures, and he said that he had no objection to
 Government when the financial statement was made.

Mr. JAMES MARTIN: That is a correct statement, and it was
 of previous services, and shows how the overdraft is made up
 Mr. MACLEAN had no doubt that what we heard from the hon.
 gentleman could vote against a Government which he had
 no objection to. He said that he had no objection to the
 But the motion before the committee was simply a statement
 for passing in Ways and Means £1700 which had been already
 paid, and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 country that the refusal of this vote was an expression of dis-
 satisfaction with the Government, and he said that he had no
 might be a right thing to do. If defeated, he
 Ministry would either resign or there would be a dissolution,
 and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 policy; but then it was necessary that we should do it on some in-
 terest, and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 House, and he had no desire to be one of them; but it was clear
 to his mind that the present Government had arisen from the Treas-
 urer's statement, which was published, and laid before the House,
 known as the Telling Loan—money which this Government had
 policy of raising the money, and he said that he had no objection
 ensuring this Government to enable the first move in all this
 policy of raising the money.

Mr. W. FORSTER was taken by surprise on finding that cer-
 tain hon. members intended to convert the discussion into an
 attack on the Government, and he said that he had no objection
 committee. He presumed, after the vehement support which
 the hon. member for the Hawkebury had given to the Govern-
 ment, that he would not make any such statement, and he said
 putting the case in the most favourable light for the Government.
 He said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 Government in regard to their financial position, but he did
 not think that the hon. Treasurer's statement was satisfactory.
 He considered the statement of the Treasurer to be unsatisfactory.
 The hon. member for the Hawkebury told us that a select com-
 mittee had been appointed to inquire into the financial position,
 made no proposition for the appointment of a committee. Any one
 who proposed to do so, he said, was making a statement that
 Hawkebury on this subject, was bound to place before the
 House in a substantive form, some motion expressive
 of his opinion, and he said that he had no objection to the
 during the course of this discussion. He did not un-
 derstand why the hon. member for the Hawkebury should make
 his duty under cover of an unintelligent motion like that pro-
 posed by the hon. member.

Mr. W. FORSTER: It was quite intelligible.

Mr. W. FORSTER: It was not intelligible without the expla-
 nation which he gave, and he said that he had no objection to
 the sentiments and policy of the hon. member's speech. His
 charge against the Government was that they were not doing
 what they had previously commenced, and which he said
 regretful to many of their present supporters. The Government
 had not done what they had promised to do, and he said that
 once condemned. But the hon. member had no better plan to
 propose than this.

Mr. W. FORSTER: No.

Mr. W. FORSTER: If the technical character of the motion was
 not sufficient to attract the attention of the House, he would
 attach to the motion than the meaning embodied in the speech
 of those who were prepared to support the adverse vote.
 He said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 earnest, to give his support to any Government which proposed
 to do what they had previously commenced, and which he said
 would have been a new system of finance introduced by the Treas-
 urer on the present occasion, or, if he had no objection, he
 proposed to do so, and he said that he had no objection to
 a previous Government, to provide for their gradual abolition
 of the present system, and he said that he had no objection to
 those with whom he had been in the habit of voting. It was
 not a question of the hon. member's statement, but of the
 fact, and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 and, believing that our financial system was rotten to the
 core, and that an entirely new system ought to be substituted for
 the present one, he said that he had no objection to the hon.
 some hon. member who was likely to command a majority in sup-
 port of the Government, and he said that he had no objection to
 offer no factious obstruction to the Government, but
 content himself with simply voting against any proposition
 which he considered objectionable. He did not see why, if a
 member of the Government, he should be allowed to make
 the motion did not express any want of confidence in the
 Government; it did not ensure their policy, or express any dis-
 satisfaction with the Government, and he said that he had no
 might be perfectly justified in supposing that the House was dis-
 satisfied with the Government, and he said that he had no
 narrow object. It might be quite reasonable to imagine that the
 House was perfectly satisfied with the other portions of the
 Government.

Mr. PIDDINGTON: No; the entire Ways and Means.

Mr. W. FORSTER: I do not care for it; I do not think the
 hon. member can show that it is usual to interpret a vote of this
 kind as an expression of confidence in the Government, and he
 would be, that they were dissatisfied with the conduct of the
 Government, and were prepared to allow them to continue to
 do as they pleased.

Mr. PIDDINGTON: The hon. member voted for a similar
 motion in 1870, and he said that he had no objection to the
 hon. member for the Hawkebury.

Mr. FORSTER: He might have done so, and he might have
 done so, and he said that he had no objection to the hon. member
 he did not think he heard a similar speech on that occasion from
 the hon. member for the Hawkebury.

Mr. W. FORSTER: I do not think I said this was the 30th De-
 cember. In eleven days he believed there would be a deficit of
 £100,000, and he said that he had no objection to the hon. Treasurer's
 borrowing. He was not in favour of borrowing money to the
 Government, and he said that he had no objection to the hon.
 other resource but borrowing.

Mr. W. FORSTER: That the Government leave the share
 report progress, and ask leave to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. ROBERTSON thought that as there was a large body of
 members who were prepared to support the Government, and he
 upon the question before the committee.

Mr. JAMES: The Opposition required any adjournment.

The question was agreed to. The House resumed, progress
 being made with the Bill.

MESSAGE.

The SPEAKER announced that the Bill of the House of
 the Legislative Council, conveying the Blackwater Bay Land
 Reservation Bill with amendments, had been passed by the
 Council on the 11th inst. at 4 o'clock on the following day.

NEW NOTES.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21.

Mr. W. FORSTER: It was not intelligible without the expla-
 nation which he gave, and he said that he had no objection to
 the sentiments and policy of the hon. member's speech. His
 charge against the

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NEWCASTLE.

December 19.—Cooring, barque, Slater, from Sydney.
December 19.—Helen, schooner, Wigness, from Melbourne.
December 20.—Hero (s.), Logan, from Sydney.
December 20.—Balina (s.), from Sydney.

December 19.—Wodonga, barque, Bicknell, for Adelaide, with
December 19.—Orosco, American ship, Ellis, for San Francisco,
December 19.—Crispa, barque, Stephens, for Lyttelton, with
360 tons coal.

GRAFTON.

December 13.—Jason, for Marborough; Ceres, for Melbourne.

RICHMOND RIVER.

December 14.—Thomas and Henry, from Sydney; Alpha, from
December 15.—Welcome Home, from Sydney.

DEPARTURES.

December 17.—Sarah Nicoll, Walaby, for Sydney; Kate Monahan,
for New Caledonia.

MELBOURNE.

December 15.—Omoo (s.) from Newcastle; City of Shanghai,
from London; Chattanooga, from New York.

December 15.—Hydras, s.s., Kirkham, for London.

ADELAIDE.

ARRIVAL.

December 14.—St. Magnus, from Newcastle.

December 15.—Exonia, for Bombay.

BRISSABAN.

ARRIVAL.

December 15.—Harmond (s.), London; John Bertie,
from Hamburg, with 280 immigrants; Jan, from Adelaide.

TOWNSVILLE.

ARRIVAL.

December 4.—Star of the South, from Sydney.

DEPARTURE.

December 12.—Beetles, for S. E. Islands.

CARDWELL.

ARRIVAL.

December 17.—Governor Blackall (s.), for Sydney.

WINDS AND WEATHER.

DIRECTION 20. S.W.M.

QUEENSLAND.

Cardwell .. E. Cloudy
Townsville .. N.E. Fine
Grafton .. S.W. Drizzle
Mackay .. N.E. do
Claremont .. E. do
Waverly .. W. Fine
Noblo .. W. Fine
Rushmore .. S.W. Fine
Haywood .. S.E. Fine
Marborough .. Calm. Fine
Roma .. W.N. Fine
Brabane .. N.E. Fine
Toowoomba .. N.E. Fine

N. S. WALES.

Centerville .. E.N.E. Hazy
Castro .. Hazy
Grafton .. S.W. Fresh, Fine
Casilda Heads .. N.E. light, Fine
Tumut .. W. Fine
Inverell .. W. Fine
Port Macquarie .. N.E. Fine
West Kempsey .. Calm. Fine
Armidale .. W. Cloudy
Tamworth .. S.W. Heavy
Gundah .. Calm. Fine
Narrabri .. Calm. Fine
New England .. W.N. drizzl. Cloudy
Murrumbidgee .. N.R. Cloudy
Bathurst .. Calm. Fine
Maitland .. W. Fine, hazy, hot
Port Stephens .. S.W. Fine
Newcastle .. S.W. Fine, sea smooth
Sydney .. S. Fine, hazy
Parramatta .. S. Fine
Wellington .. S. Fine
Kama .. Calm. Fine
Riverina .. S.W. Fine
Geelong .. Calm. Buety
Melbourne .. S.W. Fine
Araucan .. N.E. Fine
Morven .. S.E. Cloudy
Queensbury .. S.W. warm
Bombala .. Calm. Dull
Yass .. S.W. light, Fine
Eden .. S. light, fine, hot
Albury .. S.W. light, Fine
Yass .. Calm. Suity
Ondagga .. S.E. Fine
Tumut .. S.E. Fine
Kandra .. Calm. Fine
Mount Victoria .. W. Thunderstorm
Bathurst .. S.S.W. Fine
Carong .. S.W. Fine
Mudge .. S.W. Cloudy
Murrumbidgee .. S.W. Fine
Metivra .. Calm. Cloudy
Wellington .. S.W. Fine
Dubbo .. N.E. Fine
Orange .. E.N.E. Fine
Yass .. S.W. Fine
Urga Wagg .. E. Fine
Wagg .. Calm. Fine, hot
Ray .. S.W. Fine
Manang .. Calm. Fine
Belconn .. Calm. Fine, hot
Wentworth .. Calm. Fine, clear
Wentworth .. N.E. Fine, very hot

VICTORIA.

Melbourne .. S.E., very light, Fine
Queens .. S.W. Fine
Case Beach .. N.E., light, Cloudy
Case Oyster .. E.S., light, Cloudy

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Adelaide .. N.E. Fine
Adelaide .. N. Fine
McDonnell Bay .. S.E. Fine

READING OF BAROMETER AND THERMOMETER, 9 A.M.

Barometer reduced to sea level, 30.115; Gough's air at 40 ft.,
Scale, 29.92; Cape Otway, 29.94; Gulgah Bay, 29.93;
Adelaide, 29.92.

Thermometer—Melbourne, 67°; Queensland, 76°; Cape
Scale, 68°; Cape Otway, 60°; Gulgah Bay, 50°; Adelaide,
50°.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, SYDNEY.

Magnetic variation 9° 30' E. true. 9th September, 9 A.M.
The time ball is dropped daily (Sundays excepted), at 1 p.m.
Meteorological Observations.

Barometers corrected to sea level, 30.115; Cape Otway, 29.94.
Velocity of wind, measured in miles per hour, and the force de-
termined by Beaufort's scale.

Rainfall and evaporation measured in inches.

Humidity, 60 to 100.
Direction of wind, S.W. to N.E.
Force of wind, 0 to 10.
Rain, 0.16.
Clouds, 0 to 16.

DECEMBER 12, 1871. CITY RECORDING.

Hour. Baro- Thermom- Direction.

meter. in Shade. in Wind.

A. M. 9 30.148 70-4 71 N.N.E. 1 0-0 10 00 5-3
10 30.167 71-9 71 N.E. 1 0-0 10 10 5-0
9 30.160 70-5 71 N.E. 14 1-0 10 10 5-0

Mean ... 30.048 71-8 81-3 13 1-0 10 0 6-0

Evaporation 25 hours, 0.194.
Sun-shine 24 hours, 11.50.

Shade (Maximum) ... 78-4 Sun-Maximum ... 115-0
Minimum ... 60-6 Grass-Maximum ... 80-1
Thermometer with black bulb ... 77-0
Wind, maximum, 178 at 1-15 p.m.
Direction of wind, variable, where it blew the surface, at Port
Jackson, at 9 a.m., 71-4.

Total rainfall from January 1st to December 19th = 31.235
inches.

Annual average of the preceding twelve years = 61.011 inches.
Average height above which rain fell in January 1st to December 1st,
during the previous 14 years = 47.610 inches.

METEOROLOGICAL STATIONS,
arranged in order of altitude, with distance from the coast, and
only eight of the stations have barometers and hygrometers.

STATIONS. Distance from coast in feet. Barometer in shade. Hygrometer in shade. Wind. Max. Min. Rain in inches.

For 24 hours previous to p.m.

TENTREE 85 ... E.N.E. 10 85-7-0 1-0
GRATTON 125 ... N.W. 10 85-2-0 1-0
NARRABRI 152 ... W. 10 81-7-0 0-0
PORT JACOBS 162 ... S.W. 10 81-7-0 0-0
P. McQUARRIE 160 ... N.E. 10 81-3-0 0-0
CARILL 160 ... Calm 10 81-0-0 20-80
M. W. LITTLE 160 ... N.N.E. 10 80-8-0 17-3
WILLYONG 160 ... N.E. 10 80-8-0 17-3
W. MATTHEW 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
NEWCASTLE 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
BATHURST 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
M. W. LITTLE 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
W. MATTHEW 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
WILLYONG 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
YOUNG 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
GULGAH 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
WILLYONG 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
Q. P. MARTIN 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
DELFINUM 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
KLARINA 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
COOMA 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3
ROMA 160 ... N.E. 10 80-7-0 17-3

Very hot at Wentworth, Benligun, and Cooma.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR DECEMBER 21, 1871.

Object. Rise. Set. Phase of the Moon.

h. m. h. m. h. m.

MOON ... 4:17 p.m. 8:30 a.m. Last quarter 5th
Mercury ... 6:16 a.m. 7:30 a.m. First quarter 15th
Venus ... 6:16 a.m. 7:30 a.m. Full moon 27th
MARS ... 7:40 a.m. 9:28 a.m. Moon's age, 5.5 days.
JUPITER ... 7:40 a.m. 9:28 a.m.
SATURN ... 7:40 a.m. 9:28 a.m.

Moon—in Equator, 7th; S. Dec. Declination, 13th; in Equator,
20th; in Dec. lat. 23° 26'; where it rises, 1st; sets, 1st.

High water—at Port Jackson, a.m. 25. 14m.; p.m. 2h. 6m.

H. C. RUSSELL, Government Astronomer.

[By Electric Telegraph, Melbourne.]

December 19.—Perrett (s), from Lismore; City of Melbourne, from Newcastle; City of Sydney, from Newcastle.

December 20.—Lisle, from Sydney; City of Sydney, from Newcastle.

DEPARTURES.

December 19.—Springbok, Mores, for Newcastle; Tamar (s), for Newcastle.

BRISSANE.

December 20.—Governor, ARRIVAL.

Sydney, at 5.30 a.m.

SYDNEY HEADS.

DATE.	TIDE.	WIND.	REMARKS.
Dec. 20.	L.B.M. S.	S.	Light, and cloudy.
	N.M.S. S.	S.	Ditto, and ditto.
	P.O.S. S.	S.	Ditto, and ditto.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1871.

In the Legislative Council, yesterday.

The PRESIDENT announced a message from his Excellency the Governor, stating that the Government could not advise the appointment of a Commissioner to inquire into the working of the Superannuation Act, but that he was about to intend to introduce a bill shortly to deal with the question.

The PRESIDENT announced his Excellency's assent to the Customs Entries Regulation Bill and The Resumption of Dedicated Crown Lands Bill.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL presented a petition from Mr. John Williams against the Jewish Synagogue and Schools Bill.

The PETITIONER moved that the Jewish Synagogue and Schools Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and the motion was carried, and on the motion of the Postmaster-General, the petition of John Williams was ordered to lie on the table of the Council.

The House went into Committee on the Public Roads Bill, and after some discussion,

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said there did not appear to be much chance of the Council passing the bill in its present shape, and therefore he moved the Chairman out of the chair.

The House subsequently went into Committee, for the further consideration of the Friendly Societies Bill, and after some discussion as to the remuneration and duties of the Registrar, the further consideration of the bill was postponed, on the motion of the POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved the third reading of the Bill for Reclaiming the Blackwattle Swamp.

Mr. CHARLES CAMPBELL opposed the third reading, because the compensation clause had not been struck out.

He considered that the properties adjoining would in no way be injured, but rather enhanced in value.

Sir W. MANING supported the third reading, believing it to be high time that the intolerable nuisance should be removed.

Mr. JOHN CAMPBELL opposed the third reading, for similar reasons to those expressed by Mr. Charles Campbell.

Mr. ALLEN, Mr. OGILVIE, and Mr. HAY all spoke in favour of the bill.

The third reading was carried by nine to two.

The House adjourned at five minutes past 7 o'clock until 4 o'clock to-day.

In the Legislative Assembly, yesterday.

Ministers, in answer to questions, said: That the number of free-selectors in the colony would be given in a return to be laid on the table; that the duties of Captain Hopkins were to act as adjutant to the Artillery force and to lecture on Artillery subjects, and his pay was £200 a year, with allowances; that the pre-

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MR. W. FULLAGAR has received instructions from W. F. Buchanan, Esq., to sell by auction, at his Yards, Western Road, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
 100 prime Christmas cattle.

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FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
TO INKKEPERS, WINE MERCHANTS, SPECULATORS, and others.
SALE OF DESIRABLE HOTEL PROPERTY.
HIGH-STREET, WEST MAITLAND.

By order of the Mortgagee.
"THE BIRMINGHAM HOUSE HOTEL,"
 at present occupied by Mr. Matthew Scott, and being the best trade in town.

R. N. SADLER has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at his Northernland Sale Rooms, High-street, West Maitland, on SATURDAY, December 23rd, 1871, at 10 o'clock,
 All that VALUABLE PIECE OF LAND, having a frontage of 100 feet (more or less) to the best portion of High-street, West Maitland, with a depth of 100 feet (more or less), on which is erected that well-known hotel, "THE BIRMINGHAM HOUSE," conducted by Mr. Matthew Scott, and being a very lucrative business.

The hotel (with small shop adjoining) occupies one-half the area of the allotment and the adjoining 50 feet is a very eligible building site, well suited for its central position for a store of any description.
 The hotel, which is built of brick, two stories high, and abridged, contains 7 rooms on the ground floor, comprising a very neat bar, bar parlour, two commodious side parlours, large dining-room, pantry, and kitchen; and the second floor contains 8 bedrooms. A large cellar, way of access, is built under the dining-room and pantry.
 At the rear, in addition to the usual out-buildings, there is a substantial 4-stall stable and coach-house recently erected.

A small shop, consisting of 2 rooms, adjoins the premises, and is rented separately. This can easily be added to the hotel if additional accommodation is required.
 The whole of the front part of the premises has lately been renovated; and the purchaser can, if desirable, bring out the front of the building to the municipal allotment.
 Title perfect, and can be seen at the office of Thomas O'Keefe, Esq., solicitor.

TERMS.—Half cash; the balance at six and twelve months, with 5 per cent. interest, secured by mortgage on the property.
 The auctioneer begs to draw the attention of innkeepers, property men, and speculators to the very valuable property now placed in his hands for sale. From its central position, and the hotel having been a favourite for so many years, it must be obvious to everyone acquainted with the locality that it will prove a safe and profitable investment. Such an opportunity to secure a good hotel and building site in this favoured part of the town has not occurred for many years past.

THURSDAY, 21st December.
SUBSTANTIAL AND USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, comprising
 Drawing-room Furniture
 Dining-room ditto
 Hall ditto
 Bedroom ditto
 Glass, China, and Barthenware
 Kitchen Utensils, &c.

ALFRED CHANDLER and CO. have received instructions from the executors of the late W. C. Wille, Esq., to sell by auction, at his late residence, Upper Fort-street, THIS DAY, the 21st December, at 11 o'clock,
 The whole of the household furniture and effects, Without reserve.

Gold and Silver Watches, Jewellery, Drapery, new and second-hand Clothing, Boots, &c.
ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at the Mart, Pitt-street,
 The above.

On the Premises, Clarence-street, near Brinkley-street.
 To Grocers, General Dealers, and others.

M. R. H. COCKBURN has been instructed to sell by auction,
 Stock of groceries, oilmen's stores, comprising soap, candles, ironmongery, tinware, ship-fittings, gun-fittings, scales, weights, household furniture, &c., &c.
 Terms, cash.

HENRY MOON will sell by auction, at the Bank Auction Rooms, 336, George-street, on SATURDAY, 23rd instant, at 11 o'clock,
 G.I. ware (a large assortment), fancy goods in great variety, wine and ale, new and second-hand furniture, pianofortes, pictures, &c., &c.

Valuables Indisputable Belongings.
 A shipment for sale, by order of the Consignees.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 1 roll 3-inch bolting, 3 ply
 1 ditto 4-inch ditto, 4 ply
 2 ditto 6-inch ditto, 4 ply
 Terms at sale.

STEAM PUMPS,
 by John Withnall and Co., Birmingham.
 Under instructions from Thomas Noelter and Co.
 To Quarts, Copper, and other Mining Companies.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 13-inch patent steam pump, throwing 100 gallons per minute
 14-inch ditto ditto, throwing 200 ditto ditto.
 Full particulars at sale.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 Indiarubber washers, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 4 1/2, 5, 6, and 8 inch, 350 lbs.
 2 lengths, each 1 and 1 1/2 ply V.I.R. hose waterproof cover, 16 x 10 = 16 square yards.
 4 lengths 1 1/2 ply V.I.R. delivery hose
 1 ditto 2 1/2 ditto ditto ditto
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 Particulars at sale.

Ship CHILSEA, 1300 tons.
 A vessel requiring but a comparatively trifling refit, and with coal for any of the Eastern ports, will almost pay herself the voyage.

This vessel is lying in Johnston's Bay, where she can be overhauled by intending purchasers. She is well found (fully stocked by her inventory), and her future voyage will doubtless find her a profitable ship.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 The ship CHILSEA, built in the United States, 1851, of the following dimensions:—
 Length, 161 feet
 Beam, 34 feet
 Depth hold, 25 feet
 Height 'tween decks, nearly 5 feet.

This vessel (copper-fastened) underwent a good overhaul before leaving Melbourne, four months ago, and is perfect on the look-out, even for coal or timber ship, such an opportunity rarely presents itself.
 Full particulars at sale.

Terms liberal.
NEWCASTLE COALS,
 now on board the Chelsea.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
 To show the sale of the Chelsea, 1500 tons coal.
 Particulars at sale.

Violins, Pianos, Copying Ink.
 Just landed on Abberdell.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 8 cases, containing gun's, ladies' and children's fancy purses; violins, in wood cases; Stephens's copying ink, &c., &c.
 Particulars at sale.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
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CHOICE BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

Auction Sale of Popular and Standard Works, eminently suited for PRESENTATION,
 elegantly bound in Morocco, Calfskin, Gilt, and principally illustrated.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on THIS DAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 8 cases new and standard works by the most popular authors, in prose, poetry, history, fiction, &c.
 In most of the above elaborate bindings, and most suitable for the

APPROACHING PRESENTATION SEASON, comprising—
 Charles Dickens' complete works
 Waverley Novels, half bound
 Illustrated Family Bible
 All the popular Poets
 Knight's Historical Shakespeare, 8 vols., half morocco
 Macaulay's works
 Maundrell's Treasury Library
 Alison's History of Europe
 Home and Spence's History of England
 Buckle's History of Civilization
 Handwritten bound albums
 Photographic transparencies, &c., &c.
 Catalogues at Rooms.

Terms, cash.
OBION'S 10'S TOBACCO.
 To close shipments for the year.

65 BOXES of this well-known choice brand.
 Under instructions from Messrs. Farbury, Brothers.
 FRIDAY, December 22nd, at Farbury's Bond.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at Farbury's Bond, on FRIDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
 65 boxes Obion's 10's tobacco.
 Terms at sale.

CABLE TOBACCO.
 On account of whom it may concern.
 74 Packages.
 More or less damaged by sea water.

Just landed ex Sarah Neumann, from Liverpool.
 Under instructions from Messrs. Farbury, Brothers.
 FRIDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock sharp, Farbury's Bond.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at Farbury's Bond, on FRIDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
 Sorted into lots of slightly damaged, very slight, and much.
 In accordance with surveyor's report.
 24 half-tens Cable ditto
 44 quarter-tens Cable ditto.

Also, ex Farbury, 8 quarter-tens, Rayn Twist, very slightly damaged.
 Terms at sale.
 Note.—FRIDAY, 11 o'clock sharp: Farbury's Bond.

DOWNIE'S KEROSENE.
 The finest in the market, and just imported from the States.
R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
 500 cases Downie's celebrated kerosene.
 In lots to suit purchasers.
 Terms, liberal.

SUGARS IN SMALL BAGS.
 Finest WHITE Counters
 Best YELLOW ditto
 Medium ditto ditto.
 2368 SMALL BAGS.
 For positive sale, to close the account.

FRIDAY, December 22nd, at the City Mart.
 Sample Bags now on View.
 Important to Town Grocers, Country Buyers, and the Trade.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the City Mart, on FRIDAY, December 22nd, at half-past 11 o'clock prompt,
 1-541 small bag fine counters
 Crown—555 ditto ditto ditto
 2-150 ditto ditto ditto
 3-283 ditto ditto ditto
 4-100 ditto ditto ditto
 5-178 ditto ditto ditto
 6-205 ditto ditto ditto
 7-77 ditto ditto ditto.
 Terms, liberal.

SCREW STEAMER WAINUI,
 of 160 tons burthen, and admirably adapted for our Bar Harbour or Island Trade. She is an excellent model and was built, regardless of expense, under special superintendence.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on THURSDAY, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 The fine fast-sailing, auxiliary screw steamer Wainui, built at Auckland, New Zealand, in 1867; thoroughly overhauled and coppered in 1870, and well found in every respect.
 Her engines are by Deane and Oakes, of Greenwich, and consumption of fuel only 2 1/2 tons in twenty-four hours.
 Her dimensions are—Length, 105 feet; beam, 21 feet 9 inches; depth, 7 feet 9 inches loaded. Has accommodation for 22 saloon and 6 stowage passengers.
 Inventory and full particulars at sale.
 Terms, liberal.

CHRISTMAS SALE OF FANCY GOODS.
 FRIDAY, December 22nd.
 General Fancy Goods
 Toys, Stationery
 Plated Earings, Nigger Rings, Pins in cases
 Pocket Knives on cards, Butcher's Knives
 Trench Articles on cards
 R. P. Goods, Butter Coolers, Mustard Pots
 Gift Clocks, under glass shades
 Brass Ornaments, in various designs
 American Cloth Bags, &c.
 Dressed Dolls, the latest novelty, with whiskers, on wheels, with fans, &c.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE will sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock prompt,
 9 cases of the above.
 Balances of various cases, to close accounts.
 Particulars in future issue.

Clearing Sale of Gold Jewellery, Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c., &c.
TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS TO END OF THE YEAR.
 FRIDAY, December 22nd.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock prompt,
 The above, and a large quantity of gold and silver watches, brooches, rings, clocks, &c., &c.
 Full particulars in future issue.

TO CONFECTIONERS, FANCY DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
BON BONS, FANCY COCAQUES, TOY BASKETS, FANCY BOXES, &c.
MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock prompt,
 8 cases of the above.
 Suitable for Christmas and New Year's presents.
 Particulars in future issue.

BALANCE OF THE STOCK OF THE LATE ROBERT DOWNING.
 By order of the Administrators.
 FRIDAY, December 22.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has received instructions to sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, on FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock prompt,
 Drawing paper, 48 x 24, and 20 x 24
 Guest books, P. N. and acceptance books
 Penny journals, cash and day books
 These papers, letter scales and weights
 JOHNSON'S ATLAS and CHART of the WORLD
 Ebony rulers, red tape
 Mounted drawing paper, &c., &c.
 Terms, cash.

WILLIAM PRICE and CO. have been favoured with instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 329, George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, December 21st, at 11 o'clock,
 12 dozen blue and green room skins.
 Terms at sale.

SEAMING TWINE.
 On Account of whom it may concern, Ex Vale of Nith.
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TO GROCERS, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS, CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS AND OTHERS.
PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF SALE FOR TO-MORROW, Friday, December 22.
WILLIAM PRICE and CO. have been favoured with instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 329, George-street, TO-MORROW, Friday, December 22nd, at 11 o'clock,
 sundry shipments before the close of the year—
 The fine fast-sailing, auxiliary screw steamer Wainui, built at Auckland, New Zealand, in 1867; thoroughly overhauled and coppered in 1870, and well found in every respect.
 Her engines are by Deane and Oakes, of Greenwich, and consumption of fuel only 2 1/2 tons in twenty-four hours.
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